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Our Ref: 31-15619

The Hon Brian Ellis MLC
Chair
Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs
Parliament House
Perth
Western Australia 6000

Dear Chair

Petition No 134 – Violence in the Community of Geraldton and the Midwest Region

Thank you for your recent advice that the Committee is undertaking preliminary inquiries into the petition and requesting my comments on the terms of the petition and the submissions.

The issues, including the overrepresentation of indigenous offenders and domestic and community violence referred to in the petition are not, fundamentally, policing matters but require a whole of government approach by way of policy and resourcing with an emphasis on crime prevention and youth offender prevention.

Yours sincerely

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